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Construct

holding a workpiece on a surface of a top ring; and  
applying a polishing pressure on a surface of the workpiece, wherein an area where said  
polishing pressure is applied is divided into at least a central area and an outer circumferential area  
of the workpiece, and a radial width along a radius of said top ring of the outer circumferential  
area is narrower than a radius of the central area.

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